

REVA JANE YOUNG,
Plaintiff,
v.
KILOLO KIJAKAZI,
 Acting Commissioner of Social Security,
Defendant.

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) **Case No. 22-06057-CV-SJ-MDH-SSA**
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hourly rate under the EAJA increased from \$75 to \$125 per hour for cases commenced on or after March 26, 1996.

Further, in determining the reasonableness of the hours claimed in Plaintiff's request, the Court must rely upon its own knowledge, experience, and expertise of the time required completing similar activities by lawyers of reasonably comparable skill, experience, and reputation. *Shepherd v. Apfel*, 981 F. Supp. 1188, 1192 (S.D. Iowa 1997) citing *Gilbert v. City of Little Rock, Arkansas*, 867 F.2d 1063, 1066 (8th Cir. 1989). Defendant has no objection to Plaintiff's requests for attorney's fees in the amount of \$6,430.61, representing 26.9 hours of attorney work.

Therefore, Plaintiff's Motion is **GRANTED**, and it is **ORDERED** that Plaintiff is awarded \$6,430.61 to be paid by the Social Security Administration. Plaintiff has signed an Assignment of EAJA Fees in this case. (Doc. 17-2). The award is to be made payable to Attorney Roger M, Driskill. The Court acknowledges that, in accordance with *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 560 U.S. 586 (2010), the EAJA fee is payable to Plaintiff as the litigant and may be subject to offset to satisfy a pre-existing debt that the litigant owes to the United States.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 1, 2023

/s/ Douglas Harpool
DOUGLAS HARPOOL
United States District Judge